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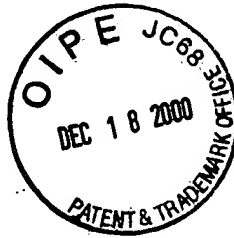
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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Washington, D.C. 20231

December 18, 2000

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated October 17, 2000, enclosed for filing are a verified English translation for the above-identified patent application.

Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$130.00 for payment of the surcharge fee for late filing of the verified English translation of the application. In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

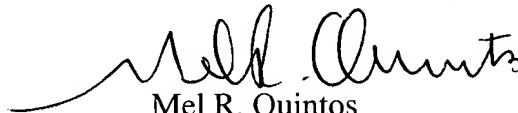
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In the event that this response is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. This paper is filed in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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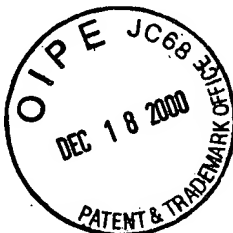


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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The application was filed in a language other than English.
- Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
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- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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